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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

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RE: **DOCKET NO. 500** - Arx Wireless Infrastructure, LLC application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 1061-1063 Boston Post Road, Milford, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Ball and Pires:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than June 2, 2021.

Please submit an original and 15 copies to the Council's office and an electronic copy to siting.council@ct.gov. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan and in accordance with Section 16-50j-12 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Council requests all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Please be advised that the original and 15 copies are required to be submitted to the Council's office on or before the June 2, 2021 deadline.

Copies of your responses shall be provided to all parties and intervenors listed in the service list, which can be found on the Council's website under the "Pending Matters" link.

Any request for an extension of time to submit responses to interrogatories shall be submitted to the Council in writing pursuant to §16-50j-22a of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Sincerely,

s/Melanie Bachman

Melanie Bachman Executive Director MB/IN/lm

c: Service List dated May 6, 2021

Docket No. 500 ARX Wireless Infrastructure, LLC Pre-Hearing Interrogatories May 21, 2021 Set One

General

- 1. Of the letters sent to abutting property owners, how many certified mail receipts were received? If any receipts were not returned, which owners did not receive their notice? Were any additional attempts made to contact those property owners?
- 2. Referring to Application p. 32, how will ARX Wireless Infrastructure, LLC recover the construction cost of the facility?

Site/tower

- 3. How many residences are located within a 1,000-foot radius of the proposed site?
- 4. What is the distance and direction from the proposed site to the nearest residence outside of the host property?
- 5. Would the site be accessed from Home Acres Avenue during construction?
- 6. Would the parking area adjacent to the proposed equipment compound still be used for parking during and after construction?
- 7. How would the site be secured during construction to ensure the public safety?
- 8. What would be the height of the fence?
- 9. Would there be any landscaping around the equipment compound? If so, would the applicant maintain the landscaping for the life of the facility?
- 10. Sheet TR-1 of the project plans indicates a proposed 25-foot wide utility easement from an existing utility pole on Home Acres Avenue, however page 2 of the wetlands inspection report shows a "proposed 25-foot wide access and utility easement" from Cherry Street/Boston Post Road. Please clarify.
- 11. Application p. 19 of the narrative states that the proposed facility "can accommodate AT&T, Verizon and two other wireless carriers" and the site plans dated July 6, 2020 and included in the technical report shows four carrier spaces at different heights. This is inconsistent with sheet TR-2 of the project plans dated August 10, 2020, which shows one additional carrier space at the 88-foot level of the tower. Please clarify.
- 12. Could the tower be designed with a yield point to ensure that the tower setback radius remains within the boundaries of the subject property? What would be the cost of installing the yield point?
- 13. Quantify the amounts of cut and fill that would be required to develop the proposed facility.

- 14. Would any blasting be required to develop the site?
- 15. Would the tower be designed for EIA/TIA-222 structural standards version G, H, or both?
- 16. Would the tower and foundation be designed to accommodate an increase in tower height?
- 17. What measures are proposed for the site to ensure security and deter vandalism? (Including alarms, gates, locks, anti-climb fence design, etc.)
- 18. Pursuant to CGS §16-50p(a)(3)(G), identify the safety standards and/or codes by which equipment, machinery or technology that would be used or operated at the proposed facility.
- 19. Has the host municipality or any other entity expressed an interest in co-locating emergency services antennas?
- 20. Does the proposed site contain any Farmland Soils? If so, what acreage of farmland soils would the facility and associated equipment be located on?

Backup Power

- 21. Page 24 of the application references that provisions have been made for a permanent, self-contained, on-site diesel backup generator. What would be the capacity (kW) of the proposed generator? Would this generator be shared by Cellco, AT&T and other entities that may locate at the proposed facility?
- 22. What preventive and containment measures would be taken to protect against leaks and spills of fuel or/and generator fluids?
- 23. Please provide the estimated runtime for the backup generator before refueling is required.
- 24. Would the backup generator run periodically for maintenance purposes? If so, at what frequency and duration? Would this be scheduled for daytime hours?

Environment

- 25. Referring to Application Attachment H Visibility Assessment, revise Table 1 on pp. 5-6 to include a column that estimates how much of the tower is visible in each photograph (in feet).
- 26. What, if any, stealth tower design options would be feasible to employ at this site? Please provide costs related to each stealth tower design.
- 27. Please characterize visibility of the proposed facility from the cemetery.
- 28. Compare the visibility of the proposed facility with the visibility of the ballast mounted temporary monopole located at 1052 Boston Post Road and approved by the Council in Petition No. 1375.

- 29. Describe the comparative visibility of the proposed facility with the visibility of a facility at the following sites:
 - a) Existing building at 1052 Boston Post Road;
 - b) Proposed building at 1052 Boston Post Road;
 - c) Tower facility at 1052 Boston Post Road;
 - d) Tower facility at 345 North Street;
 - e) Tower facility at 1052 Boston Post Road; and
 - f) Facility at 1201 Boston Post Road Connecticut Post Mall.
- 30. Would the proposed facility comply with Department of Energy and Environmental Protection noise control standards at the property boundaries?
- 31. Is the proposed facility within a Department of Energy and Environmental Protection-designated Aquifer Protection Area?
- 32. Please submit photographic site documentation with notations linked to the site plans or a detailed aerial image that identifies locations of site-specific and representative site features. The submission should include photographs of the site from public road(s) or publicly accessible area(s) as well as Site-specific locations depicting site features including, but not necessarily limited to, the following locations as applicable:

For each photo, please indicate the photo viewpoint direction and stake or flag the locations of site-specific and representative site features. Site-specific and representative site features include, but are not limited to, as applicable:

- 1. wetlands, watercourses and vernal pools;
- 2. forest/forest edge areas;
- 3. agricultural soil areas;
- 4. sloping terrain;
- 5. proposed stormwater control features;
- 6. nearest residences;
- 7. Site access and interior access road(s);
- 8. utility pads/electrical interconnection(s);
- 9. clearing limits/property lines;
- 10. mitigation areas; and
- 11. any other noteworthy features relative to the Project.

A photolog graphic must accompany the submission, using a site plan or a detailed aerial image, depicting each numbered photograph for reference. For each photo, indicate the photo location number and viewpoint direction, and clearly identify the locations of site specific and representative site features shown (e.g., physical staking/flagging or other means of marking the subject area).

The submission shall be delivered electronically in a legible portable document format (PDF) with a maximum file size of <20MB. If necessary, multiple files may be submitted and clearly marked in terms of sequence.